

ALBANY-DECATUR DAILY

DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS AND UPBUILDING OF ALBANY-DECATUR, ALABAMA

COTTON MARKET

(Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Sept. 20—Cotton futures opened firm. October 22:85; December 22:25; January 22:23; March 22:60. May 22:82.

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FLOOD DAMAGES SEVERAL HARTSELLE STORES

Davis Heads East Today Very Much Encouraged

REPUBLICAN'S TAX THEORY DECLARED TOLL GATE SYSTEM

Ringing Speech at Gary Delivered to Large Open Air Crowd

TWO ADDRESSES FOR SATURDAY

Will Speak at Baseball Park at South Bend During Afternoon

(Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Sept. 20—John W. Davis, the Democratic candidate for president, was ready today to follow up his campaign in Indiana, opened last night in a ringing speech at Gary, where he declared anew for "principles of human equality, personal liberty and popular sovereignty" and pledged his party to do battle "in every state in the union" in assaults against "privilege in government."

Under a schedule calling for departure early this afternoon from Chicago, Mr. Davis will make two addresses at South Bend, one at luncheon at noon, another at the baseball park in the afternoon and one address tonight at Fort Wayne.

This also will be an open air affair.

Leaving Fort Wayne tonight, he is evening. With his personal head-due to arrive at New York Sunday quarters there as a base, he will conduct a whirlwind campaign in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, Delaware and Maryland before again heading westward.

Early in October he will speak in West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Southern Illinois, Missouri and perhaps in Oklahoma, Kansas and Michigan.

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Using a figure of speech to guide home his argument, Mr. Davis said the Republican theory was analogous to a toll gate system, under which the proceeds of taxation were devoted primarily to the comfort and well-being of those riding in limousines. Underlying this theory, he added, was the belief that if the limousine owner was cared for, all the pedestrians and those riding in less expensive cars eventually would be benefitted by the resultant era of prosperity.

Socialistic doctrine, the candidate said, proposed a system of taxation devised with a view that all should ride in limousines, through government control of the economic factors of life.

If that theory prevailed, he argued the man who placed the people in their seats in the limousine would be de-spoiled controlling destinies of all.

Both theories are unsound, he declared, in that they omit human nature as the important factor in life.

The democratic theory, he described as one that shaped the whole burden of taxation with regard to the backs that are to bear it and that fundamental purposes of government must be equal rights to all, high or low, and special privilege to none.

Storm Damage Is Done In Morgan

Considerable storm damage occurred in the southern part of Morgan County, Friday night. Dr. James D. Hunter, pastor of the Central Methodist church, who spent Friday night in Falkville and who has been holding a revival meeting at that place for the past week. Dr. Hunter stated he heard of destruction caused and saw where a number of telephone poles had been blown down.

Career Denied, She Seeks Death



CHICAGO, Sept. 20—May Huffsmith, a young woman from Saylorburg, Pa., who was going to prove to the world that she would be a great actress, and quickly, May was eighteen. When she found out that the great city is most critical and that there are a great number of young women wanting to be great actresses, she swallowed poison. She will not die. She was sent home to Tom Frankenstein, who says he will marry her.

GINNINGS ARE UP TO THE '23 RECORD

Cotton ginning in Morgan County up until September 20 is about the same as to the number of bales ginned as at this time last year.

The grade of cotton is fully up to the standard of last year, according to prominent ginners.

Carl D. Patterson, who now owns the Bernstein Ginn company here and who operates it, stated that he found some increase in business over, reports made him at this time last year. Fred S. Hunt, manager of the Home Oil mill, which concern operated a number of gins, stated that his reports showed about the same amount of cotton ginned to date as last year. Mr. Hunt stated that only from such sections as have had plenty of rain, was the cotton ready to pick. He said that it appeared that on the whole North Alabama ginnings were not quite so numerous as last year. Mr. Hunt, stated that through the ginner's association he had official reports showing that in South Alabama, the cotton crop was already half ginned.

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TRIAL DATE SET

ANNISTON, Ala., Sept. 20—Date for the trial of C. Worth Whiteside, tax collector for Calhoun county, who was indicted on a charge of embezzling public funds has been fixed for September 30, it was stated today.

MAN AND WOMAN ARE INDICTED FOR SKELETON MURDER

Bennetts Are Accused By the Hamilton Grand Jurors

WORKERS FOUND WOMAN'S BONES

Bennetts Maintained Their Aunt Left For Washington

(Associated Press)

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Sept. 20—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bennett, of Rome, Ga., were indicted by the Marion County grand jury here this morning for the murder of Miss Augusta Hoffman.

Miss Hoffman was a modiste whose skeleton is alleged to have been found under the floor of the home occupied by the Bennett's here several months ago.

Miss Hoffman, aunt of the Bennetts, with whom she made her home most of the time, disappeared in 1915 after it was said she had withdrawn a considerable sum of money from the bank. No trace was heard of her until a few months ago when workmen repairing the house at No. 15 Bluff View, a fashionable residential section, discovered the bones of a woman, clothing, eye glasses, false teeth and shoes which answer the description given of the missing woman and her effects.

The Bennett's maintained that Miss Hoffman had gone to Washington, D. C. with the intention of marrying and that they never heard of her afterwards.

RED CROSS ROLL CALL IS OUTLINED

Miss Dora A. Taylor, of Atlanta, general secretary, for the Southern Division of the American Red Cross, is visiting the counties of the Tennessee Valley, and making general arrangements for the annual "roll call" or membership campaign of the Red Cross, in Northern Alabama.

Miss Taylor has appointed T. C. Almon roll call chairman for Morgan county. F. A. Bloodworth, an official of the Morgan county Red Cross, is the treasurer for the campaign, and the following county publicity committee has been appointed: W. W. Rahm, chairman, J. A. West, Hartsville, and J. E. Blair.

Mr. Almon is expected to complete his organization soon, naming campaign chairmen for the different localities in Morgan county. This county's quota for this year is \$500, stated Chairman Rahm, of the publicity committee.

Pilgrim Knights In Session Here

Early Saturday, pilgrims, members of the "Pilgrim Knights of Oriental Splendor" began to pour into the Twin Cities from Birmingham and other points in Alabama to the south and from Ardmore and points in Tennessee to the north, the occasion being a celebration held at Malone park in the early afternoon and a meeting late in the afternoon at Odd Fellows hall in Decatur, when a large number of new members were to be initiated into the mysteries of the "Knights of Oriental Splendor" which is an auxiliary body of the Alabama Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

The most attractive delegation came from the Birmingham Fes-

CLOSE OBSERVANCE OF CONSTITUTION IS URGED BY GOODWIN

Pastor Is the Principal Speaker During Exercises

DECATUR SCHOOLS HAVE PROGRAM

Outlines the Struggles Of the Makers Of Constitution

(Associated Press)

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Sept. 20—Dr. L. F. Goodwin, of the Westminster Presbyterian church was the principal speaker at the "Constitution Day" exercises, held at the Decatur high school. The occasion proved to be an enjoyable one, with the students taking much interest in the address of Dr. Goodwin.

Superintendent W. W. Benson of the Decatur schools presided and following preliminary exercises introduced Dr. James D. Wallace pastor of the First Presbyterian church, who gave the invocation.

Following his introduction, Dr. Goodwin, first outlined the struggle preceding the final ratification of the constitution by two thirds of the original 13 colonies. It was shown that it took years to get the constitution accepted as having authority.

The wisdom of the makers of the constitution was lauded by the speaker and references were made to the opinions of great men of the past, as touching the federal constitution. Dr. Goodwin dwelt upon the wisdom of the revolutionary fathers in providing for amendments to the constitution, saying that nearly twenty amendments had been adopted.

The speaker made special reference to the 18th, or prohibition amendment, claiming that its provisions, when carried out to the letter and in the right spirit meant a great moral up-lift for the American nation. The importance of observance of laws, from city ordinances, to the international laws, was stressed by Dr. Goodwin.

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BEAUTIFUL PARADE OF GROTTO'S CORPS THRILL TWIN CITIES

Birmingham Delegation Arrives Here On A Special Train

SPEAKERS STRESS CLUB PRINCIPLES

Heavy Rain Starts Just As Barbecue Ends at Malone Park

Guests and hosts of the Albany Grotto club, variously estimated at from 800 to 1,000 in number who gathered here Friday afternoon for a celebration of past successes of the Kam Ram Grotto of Birmingham, which body includes the local Grotto club and many others, separated at 8:20 o'clock Friday night when a large contingent of the company left on a southbound train for Birmingham.

The heavy rain of the evening, had just begun when the barbecue feast at Malone park was completed, and the people had to move away rapidly to shelter from the storm.

Principal Address By Chief Justice

The speaking of the occasion preceded the feast. The master of ceremonies was Seneca Burr, prominent local Mason and a leader in the Albany-Decatur Grotto club. Mr. Burr introduced the speakers. The principal address of the evening was by Chief Justice J. C. Puckett of Birmingham, the head of the legal department of the Alabama Kam Ram Grotto.

Justice Puckett's address was a clear and forceful statement of the aims and purposes of the Grotto clubs of the state. This speaker also stated the principles upon which the Grotto is founded which were shown to be similar to the principles of the Masonic fraternity.

Others speakers introduced by Mr. Burr were Monarch J. L. Hagy of Birmingham, ranking officer of the Kam Ram Grotto; Prophet Brawley of Birmingham and Grand Secretary H. B. Kirby of Birmingham Grotto.

Among the prominent out of town visitors, in addition to the large numbers from Birmingham were F. P. Pelter, General Manager Norfolk and Western Railroad; L. H. Woodall, Superintendent Memphis division, Southern Railway; L. Ennis, Master of trains Southern Railway and George Jenkins, road master Southern Railway.

Parade Is Beautiful

Citizens generally as well as members of the Grotto clubs gathered for Friday's celebration greatly enjoyed the occasion, especially the music dispensed by the splendid bands from Birmingham and the attractive parade which started just after the northbound Louisville and Nashville train N. 2 arrived.

The parade started at the Albany depot of the Louisville and Nashville railroad and passed over Second avenue, to Decatur over Bank street and return to the Malone amusement park on Moulton street, Albany. James A. Nelson, mayor of Decatur, and Joseph D. Bell, chief of police of Albany, led the parade each mounted on a beautiful horse.

All the other parades proceeded on foot, led by the Birmingham bands as their members played inspiring music. The precision with which the men marched and the appearance of their uniforms proved very attractive.

A special attraction of the parade was a large shining black ram. The animal marched near the head of the long procession and seemed to be enjoying himself greatly.

By request, some special drills were arranged by the visiting marchers, but they were interfered with by the threatening weather soon after night-fall.

Wire communication between Poplar Bluff and the stricken area still was interrupted today and only meager reports of the storm damage had been received.

What He Looks Like In Civvies



GENERAL PERSHING

When General John J. Pershing surrendered command of the American Army on reaching the retirement age of sixty-four he lost little time in having a photograph of himself made while wearing civilian clothes. This one was snapped in Washington.

HARTSELLE, Ala., Sept. 20—Special—Following an unprecedented rain which continued for two hours Friday night, twenty-five stores were flooded to a depth of from six inches to two feet of water, and the damage to stocks of merchandise is estimated to be from five thousand dollars upward.

Main street, west of the railroad, had the appearance of a river, and water was rushing through some of the stores in a swift current. Town Branch which runs diagonally through town, was spread out over a wide area, and the culverts through which the water was to pass was not sufficient to carry it off.

Water was running across the Louisville and Nashville tracks north of the depot, and the Pan American lost about two hours here waiting for the tracks to clear. Water was two feet over the track at this point.

This flood, according to many, is the worst in the history of this section, it raining without ceasing for two hours, accompanied by heavy thunder and vivid lightning. Hail came at intervals also.

Messrs. C. C. Doss, J. H. Corbie Hardware and Furniture Co., R. W. Puckett and W. T. Stewart suffered greater damage than others, as their business houses were directly in the path of the stream.

It is also estimated that the damage to matured crops in this section is also great. Flint creek is out of its banks and the lowlands are flooded, and much corn will be damaged very materially.

GEOLOGIST PRAISES MORGAN ASPHALT

Morgan County people are greatly pleased at the report made here Saturday on the asphalt deposits near the Twin Cities by Dr. George H. Clark assistant state geologist who was here en route to consult with mining experts in Kentucky.

Dr. Clark stated that his findings of silicon rock asphalt were of a very superior character. He said the local deposits were equal to the best, and had so proven on the strip of road near the Twin Cities built out of the local asphalt. The great rain storm Friday night did not damage the asphalt deposits near Florence and Leadanna in southwest Missouri.

Classified Ads and Business Directory

HARGAIN IN VACANT LOT—Corner 6th Avenue and Johnston street in Albany among the best property at only \$1,700. Owner must sell and you get the bargain. J. A. Thornhill.

640 Jackson street for rent at \$20. Money to loan, fire insurance, deeds and mortgages written and homes for sale on reasonable terms. J. A. Thornhill.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—5 room house. Modern conveniences, 127 Seventh avenue, West Decatur. See. M. Z. Waits. Phone Decatur 162-W. 19-6t.

FOR SALE—At a bargain one bay mare about five years old. Good saddle mare, good buggy mare, good plow mare. Gentle, fat, in fact she is a first class animal. T. J. Newsom, 815 West Market street, Decatur, Ala. 19-6t.

GALVANIZED roofing all lengths. Prompt deliveries. Inquiries solicited. John D. Wyker and Son. 18-6t.

FOR SALE—Saturday. Colonial chest of drawers, dresser, and chiffonier, mahogany chiffonier, oak set of three pieces. Spanish leather upholstery. One hall rack, 1502 8th avenue South. 18-3t.

FOR SALE—One Fairbanks cotton beam (700 pound capacity). This beam is good as new and can be bought at a bargain. Hughes and Tidwell. 18-3t.

Hear the latest blues on Columbia, Paramount and Brunswick records. 3,000 records to select from. The Little Furniture Store T. T. Mason, Manager. (The home of the blues.) 15-6t.

FOR SALE—7 room house on 3 acre lot large barn and out houses at Trinity, Ala., see or call Miss Ella Kirk Baker at L. B. Wyatt's office, Decatur. 15-6t.

FOR SALE—2 real mules, 1 7 year old horse, 1 single dray, 1 buggy, 1 double dray, 1 buggy, 4 sets harness. The Little Furniture store, T. T. Mason, Manager. 15-6t.

We sell the original Hoosier kitchen cabinets, Allen Princess Stoves and ranges. The Little Furniture Store T. T. Mason, Manager. 15-6t.

We sell both new and second hand talking machines, modern and ancient. The Little Furniture Store T. T. Mason, Manager. 15-6t.

Our largest stock of blankets and comforters are here. Prices and terms that will please you. The Little Furniture store. 15-6t.

\$2.50 per gallon; a good brown house paint. Why not try it? John D. Wyker and Son. 15-6t.

FOR SALE—The best and cheapest hog and stock feed, corn hearts, Decatur Mill and Elevator Co. Phone Decatur 52. 16-6t.

FOR SALE—A dandy Ford speedster just been overhauled. Can be seen at 919 Wadsworth street or phone Albany 707-J. 17-6t.

FOR SALE—Ford touring car, cheap for quick trade. J. M. Hatfield at Daily office or telephone 635-W at night. 17-6t.

FOR SALE—Adding machine, typewriter. Cash register, desk, letter file, gas range, gas heater, Fordson tractor. Also a few good used cars at very reasonable prices. Burk Auto Co. Phone 226 Albany.

FOR SALE—18 acres of land 2 miles out Danville pike at \$140 an acre, also 10 acres with good home and buildings at only \$2,850. Both bargains. See J. A. Thornhill.

FOR SALE—Seven-passenger Chandler car; will exchange for real estate, live stock or cash. J. I. Echols. 28-6t.

FOR SALE—6 Bremlin window shades in A-1 condition. Telephone 660-L, 3 rings. 17-6t.

FOR SALE—Two 5 acre tracts and two 10 acre tracts on Danville pike 3 miles from town, part cash, balance terms. Phone or write. J. M. Clark, Albany, Ala. R. 4. 17-6t.

THE ORIENTAL BEAUTY SHOP is caring for patrons on the second floor Pride building 614 1-2 Second avenue. A specialty is made in hair dressing for which there is such a demand at this time. Other work handled here is hair cutting, hair restoring, scalp treatment, shampooing, marcelling, facial massage, eyebrow shaping, manicuring. Phone 502-J for appointment. 18-6t.

FOR SALE—A good 5 room home in 6th avenue West at \$1,800. \$800 cash, balance \$25 per month with 8 per cent interest. Rents now for \$20. 4. A. Thornhill, 209 Johnston street.

FOR SALE—Ten room brick dwelling, one block from Second avenue. Steam heated, suitable for two apartments. All modern conveniences in both apartments. Dwelling in first class condition. Easy terms to the right party. Owner leaving town. See Allison & Woods. 20-6t.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—10 piece mahogany dining room suit in splendid condition. William and Mary style. Also piano in splendid condition. If interested write box 573 Albany. 20-6t.

FOR SALE OR RENT—76 acres in thirty minutes walk of L. & N. shops, running water and fire wood. Six room house and good barn. Immediate possession. See E. W. Keyes. Planing Mill Department L. & N. or write Albany 573. 20-6t.

FOR SALE—Windshields any cars by C. E. Malone. 27-6t.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—One furnished bed room to one or two gentlemen. Modern conveniences. Also garage. Phone Albany 428. 20-6t.

FOR RENT—Three rooms, newly papered and large back porch and bath, private. Lightly furnished or unfurnished. At 315 Cain street or Phone 237 Decatur. 20-6t.

FOR RENT—Lower apartment of flat 215 East Church street. Four large rooms and back porch, bath room and hall. Freshly painted and papered. Cartwright's Drug Store, Decatur, Ala. 9-6t.

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms light and water furnished. Convenient to car line. Call D. S. Clark. Decatur 74. 20-6t.

FOR RENT—Three housekeeping rooms, furnished or unfurnished. 402 Sherman street. Phone 467 Albany. 19-6t.

FOR RENT—Three connecting furnished rooms bottom floor. Gas and coal stove. Water, lights and telephone. Will rent for \$30.00 per month, to a couple only. See R. J. Moseley at Moseley-Eggers Shoe Co., or call at 909 8th avenue East. 19-6t.

FOR RENT—Three unfurnished rooms with bath, for light housekeeping. Lights, water and telephone furnished. 413 Sherman street or Phone 230-W. 16-6t.

STOVE REPAIRING—Have your stove or range repaired at your home. Range repairing a specialty. Phone Albany 729 or write Mrs. C. M. Wells, 1317 Tower avenue, Albany, Ala. 18-3t.

FOR RENT—Three room apartment with large hall and private bath, furnished or unfurnished. Call 274-J Albany. 17-6t.

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MONEY to loan in sums to suit. Apply to New Morgan County Building and loan Association. 10-6t.

WANTED

WANTED—Concrete jobs large or small. I have a mixer. C. E. Malone 16-6t.

STRAIGHT SALARY—\$35.00 per week and expenses to man or woman with rig to introduce Egg Producer. Eureka Mfg. Co., East St. Louis, Ill. 20-6t.

HEMSTITCHING and picotting attachment. Fits any machine \$2.00 C. O. D. with full instructions. Agents wanted. Mail Novelty Co., Box 144, Kansas City, Mo. 20-1t.

If you have \$300.00 will start you in new business, tremendous sales, should net you \$100.00 salary weekly, experience unnecessary. Mechanical Machine Works, Baltimore, Md. 20-1t.

SALESMEN WANTED—Experienced paint and lubricating oil salesman. Full or part time. Drawing account when ability is proven. Howard Paint and Oil Co., 6332 Broadway, Cleveland, Ohio. 20-1t.

ASPHALT shingles and roof roofing, waterproof canvas cover furnished while old shingles are off. See us and save money. John D. Wyker and Son. 15-6t.

The big surprise. My financial troubles will soon be over. How? See me and I will tell you how you may soon be relieved of all your financial worries. If you have a mortgage on your home or farm I will show you in a very short time how it can be lifted. To the boy or girl who wishes to go to college but cannot because papa is not able I will show you how you can send them. You will be surprised how you can do all these things on such small amounts. Now this is no idle dream for I am dealing in proven facts, just see who has proven it too, people prominent in Albany that you know. Just as soon as they saw what I had they didn't hesitate a minute. What would you say if I said I could pay you 100 per cent a month dividends on every dollar invested? Surely you will investigate and see if I am doing in fact.

prove all I have said then turn away from it. All I ask is that you see me and you will be convinced that by a few dollars you can be relieved of your financial troubles. This is the chance of a lifetime to the man or woman of limited means or to the man or woman of wealth for that matter. If you fail to give me a chance to prove all I have said then blame yourself. When you see your friends take advantage of the golden opportunity and now living on the sunny side of financial success, blame yourself for not taking advantage. Answer 'Success' P. O. Box 278, Albany, Ala. 19-6t.

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Voice of People

Dear Sir:

Editor Albany-Decatur Daily.

As president of the Kiwanis club I desire to issue an appeal of the citizens of Albany and Decatur for school books and funds with which to purchase school books, and even clothing for children of the two cities whose parents are unable to supply these necessities. I am informed by Prof. Cowart of the Albany school, and Prof. Benson of the Decatur schools that a number of children have already entered school and are without books; that perhaps a larger number of these unfortunate children remain out of school for lack of clothing and books. This call is urgent and it is hoped that every citizen will respond liberally and promptly and let's see if we cannot supply these worthy children with books and clothing. You are helping to build a better, more intelligent and more progressive community.

You are hereby further notified that if you have any right, title, claim or interest to said lands above described, or any interest therein, such title or interest may be presented in the above cause within sixty days from September 8, 1924.

This September 13, 1924.

tion, thence west to the beginning All in Township 7 south, of Range 3 West.

That the said Emmett Thomas claims title to said lands under and by virtue of a deed from W. M. Hopper and wife, R. L. Hopper to him of date August 5, 1918, and because the title to said lands stands on the records of the Probate Court of Morgan County Alabama, in the name of Emmett Thomas; and also because he and those through whom he claims title have paid the taxes upon and have been in possession of said lands for more than ten years next preceding September 6, 1924.

You are hereby further notified that if you have any right, title, claim or interest to said lands above described, or any interest therein, such title or interest may be presented in the above cause within sixty days from September 8, 1924.

This September 13, 1924.

MARVIN WEST

Register

Sept. 13-20-27 Oct. 4.

A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Legislature of Alabama, at a session held in 1923, has ordered an election by the qualified electors of the State of Alabama upon a certain proposed amendment to the Constitution of Alabama, which is herein set forth, to be held at the general election in November, 1924.

WHEREAS, Notice of such election, together with the proposed amendment is required by law to be given by proclamation of the Governor;

NOW THEREFORE, I, William W. Brandon, Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby give notice, direct and proclaim that at the general election in November, 1924, an election will be held for the vote of the qualified electors of the State of Alabama, in the manner, form and places required by law, upon the following amendment to the Constitution of Alabama, viz:

"The County of Mobile, through its constituted governing authority, may levy and collect taxes for the purposes of a rate of taxation, on the property situated therein, not exceeding in the total of any one year, one-fifth (1-5) of one (1) per centum of the value of such property as assessed by the Constitution of Alabama and the statutes now or hereafter enacted pursuant to the said Constitution of Alabama, which said one-fifth (1-5) of one (1) per centum shall be in addition to taxes levied and collected under and pursuant to the authority of Section 215 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, and axes levied and collected under and pursuant to Article XIX of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901 which Article XIX was added to the said Constitution by amendment; and existing laws attempting or purporting to authorize, empower and direct the said constituted authorities of the County of Mobile to levy and assess such a special tax in addition to the axes levied and collected under and pursuant to Section 215 of the Constitution as aforesaid, and taxes levied and collected under and pursuant to Article XIX of the Constitution as aforesaid, are hereby validated and confirmed."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great Seal of the State to be affixed to the Capitol in the City of Montgomery, on this, the 8th day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four.

Seal) WM. W. BRANDON,

Governor.

By the Governor:

S. H. BLAN,

Secretary of State.

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A DAILY PRAYER.—As the memory of sins, unnoticed when they were committed, comes to us may Thou fill our hearts with feelings of revulsion for all sin.

Love that brings sorrow is better than a loveless existence that brings an empty happiness.

Berlin reports the German waist line is shrinking. Dispatches fail to say whether the cause is less beer or less food.

Living in a New York apartment house seems to be about as safe as staging a wrestling match with a can of dynamite.

"Darn it. If a man likes classical music, his friends think he is a liar," says The Birmingham News. Generally his friends are right, at that.

Good Fortune could not pick a finer time than the present to send the price of cotton up. We risk the charge of political treason by asserting that given 30 cent cotton this fall, the average voter in the Valley wouldn't give a whoop who gets the presidency.

The unexpected brings much of the joy of living; but anxiety and fear are always being aroused lest some real or imaginary evil befall.

It were better to recognize at once that the future is covered and cannot be known. It is a blessing we cannot know the future and we should accept it as such.

Since we cannot even guess what is in the future no wrong is done if the habit is formed of looking for pleasurable happenings. If such should not be the case, nothing is lost, and besides the dread and worry of thinking of coming evils is never felt.

It is for human beings to meet every issue as it comes, but to leave the determination of most things to a power higher than our own.

But however well we may manage our thinking, however well we may get along within—with our own selves, human companionship is needed.

It is said the wisest and most perfect people get very tired of their own company. When courage is at a low ebb, and when it appears that we might dispair, what is better than the cheerfulness and courage of a friend. His bravery makes his friends brave. It is true that in a very large sense our happiness or misery comes from within. The kingdom of happiness is within us, but all normal people long for companionship—the "clay of the earth whence we were made yearns to its fellow clay."

When surrounded with congenial associates, the future does not worry us so much, anxiety and fear for what a day may bring forth vanishes away.

The current report that Gadsden will soon have a two million dollar cotton mill brings into prominence again, the certain future Alabama has as an industrial and manufacturing state. In the first place, this state's climate is longed for by thousands of people who now live elsewhere. The spirit and purpose of Alabamians, when they become known, and as they are more and more becoming known as the months pass, suits thousands of people who wish to live in company with a friendly and progressive people.

The natural resources of forest and water are becoming appreciated as

never before. In the electrical age which is just dawning, Alabama's water power, is destined to make the state of "here we rest" one of the busiest and richest states of the forty-eight.

A timely reference was made to Alabama as an ideal state for factories recently by former State Senator H. S. Doster of Prattville, in an address to the twelfth annual convention of the southeastern division of the National Electric Light Association, held in Birmingham. Mr. Doster said in part:

"When we reach the stage of co-operation, there will come really big things in the way of development and advancement of the state of Alabama.

"Co-operation between the public and the utilities is necessary for the advancement of the state. This can only come when the organization and have gained the confidence of the public.

"Public utilities are regarded as giants. The public is afraid of the giant's strength. But, through a fine organization, the public will come to realize that the giant really is subservient to the public and actually is controlled by the public.

"The development of electric resources through the exploitation of water power will make electric current available to farmers and to the small communities. Not only will these towns and villages be permitted to enjoy the added conveniences, but the power makes possible the construction of factories and other manufacturing plants."

A TRAIN OF THOUGHTS

For the Sabbath and Other Days

By J. E. Blair

In Bunyan's allegory, Pilgrim sees fierce lions in the distance, but when he came close to them they were chained away from him. In other words, no outward thing can destroy anyone's personality. To some minds it makes no difference whether or not its fire was literal, when the fiery furnace received these fine young men called the "Hebrew children;" their owners are so carried away with the thought that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were delivered because of faith in one near them "like unto the Son of God." In passing be it remembered that moderns will be saved by faith in that same Son of God.

"Outward things can destroy nothing worthwhile?" No. On the other hand outward hindrances are stepping stones to higher things in the world of personality. International "Y" Secretary F. M. M. Richardson expressed such a belief, when recently he told of how Robinson Crusoe was delivered by the very things that seemed about to destroy him. Crusoe, saw canibals, according to Mr. Richardson, and thought they would make a meal off of him; but instead he got great Friday from among the canibals. Crusoe saw the ships that returned him to civilization and thought they would take him to destruction. What we just "think" don't change facts. A man in delirium sees snakes, but there are no snakes. It is in ourselves that we see "a lion without" and think "I shall be slain the way." It is in ourselves that we see hell bent ships instead of heaven-bound barques. It is in ourselves that we see snakes instead of angels. It is "in ourselves that we are underlings." John Bunyan did not write Pilgrim's Progress, just to be doing. He wrote it to teach great lessons. The Bible writer did not tell about the salvation of the Hebrew young men, just to write history. Secretary Richardson did not tell about Crusoe just to entertain. These ideas are not being written just "to get them off the chest" of the writer. Every person who has tried to write the truth did so, seeking to get some—as many as possible to SEE the truth—and not just the truths written, but the truths suggested—and all truth. Everyone quoted desired to show that "man's extremity is God's opportunity," and to encourage all to believe that "in due season we shall reap, IF we faint not." Just as Pilgrim saw the lions were chained away from him; so it is equally true because Christ said it: "My yoke is easy and My burden is light." Those who believe right will never triumph, are just like Pilgrim, just like Crusoe, and just like those who don't believe the Hebrew children were saved. Such have eyes but are too nearsighted, they have minds but never use them not aright they have ears, but faint at the sound of the Master's voice saying: "Follow Me."

The natural resources of forest and water are becoming appreciated as

Martselle News

Lee and Master Fred Sherrill passed by leaving a napkin in the hand of each guest, they thought how beautiful childhood could be used to serve ago.

Then came the eats, petting that not a crumb was left. By request Mrs. Witt arose and in her gentle dignified manner spoke feelingly of her remembrance of, and love for her long life-long friends and of how distance could never sever that love. The list of her rentals may be summed up in the following lines: "There are the friends that to me were so dear, long, long ago, long ago."

They are the ones that my heart used to cheer, long ago."

Other talks were made and not a few eyes were dim at the recollection of fond associations.

After singing "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" good byes were said and each departed, carrying with them the remembrance of an afternoon never to be forgotten. The following are the names of those present: Mesdames, Mattie Ferguson Witt, Leona Woodall Boger, Callie Woodall Barefoot, Mary Penn Hogan, Yetta Sabotka Kent, Talitha York Sherrill, Emily Hargrove Lindsey, Ellen Hardwick Orr, Carrie Sabotka Lee, Mattie Hardwick Stewart, Minnie Echols Puckett, Alice Key Oden, Mollie Moore Turney, Maud Boger Day, Lillie Hogan Hanes, Ora Sherrill Lovelady, Mary Alice Boger Crittenden, Sibbie Williams Waldsmith, Nell Barefoot Sherrill, Lucia Barefoot Lee, Miss Frances Carolyn Lee, Fred Oscar Sherrill, Jr.

Signed F. C. B.

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Furniture and fixtures (16)	42,500.00
Other real estate	12,600.00
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MY HUSBAND'S LOVE

Adele Garrison's New Phase of
Revelations of a Wife

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The Way Madge Followed Dicky's Advice About Mollie.

AS Dicky strode down the hall toward his room, I looked after him with a swirl of what the old-time novelists used to dub "mingled emotions."

Astonishment, conquered resentment, and in its turn gave way to a recognition of authority backed by knowledge unshaken by me.

Struggling for emergence, also, was a feeling of pride in my husband which would not be downed by the remembrance of our bitter quarrel or the realization that Dicky's demeanor betrayed no more relenting in his heart than in mine.

I stood motionless with my eyes fixed upon his shapely head and lithe figure until his door had closed behind him. Then with a start, I realized not only that Dicky was gone but that I was watching him. I went back to his mother's room, I found her in a chair by the window gazing out over the distant meadows sloping down to the ocean and holding in her hands the letter from Harriet and Edwin, with its news of her orphaned grandchildren.

There were traces of tears upon her face, and I knew that her heart was full of memories of her dead daughter, all the more poignant because she realized even more fully than the rest of us that Elizabeth Harrison had utterly failed in motherhood.

For a second I drew back, dreading to disturb her; then I walked swiftly forward, for I realized that action of any sort was far better than the thought of this regretful brooding.

"Another, dear," I said crisply. "Dicky tells me that he has to go to New York on the next train, and there are reasons—connected with the look of Lillian's—why I cannot look after him. He's going. Do you feel well enough to see him about something for him to eat? And soon he probably will be calling all over the house for collar buttons."

She shot a shrewd look at me, but her wise old eyes were full of kindness.

"Come here and kiss me, Margaret," she said surprisedly, opening her arms, and while I bent above her she held me tightly for a second or two, while she murmured, with a tenderness which she rarely manifested to me.

"I understand, my dear, only too well. And I'll help in whatever way I can."

Mollie's Excitement.

My throat was too constricted for speech without tears, but I kissed her gratefully, and fled to my own room, where I pulled myself together and went in search of Katherine. I found her in the library, and told her of the startling information which Dicky had given me, and of his injunction to watch Mollie Fawcett day and night.

"There's something afoot," Katherine assented. "She's been pacing up and down the sun parlor like something demented ever since she received that letter. And her face could be modeled as a tragedy mask. Poor child! She isn't sufficiently old and sophisticated to be able to hide her alarm. I agree with Dicky that she'll bear watching, and I'll

HOME-MAKING HELPS

How You Can Give a Late-September Outdoor-Game Party

By WANDA BARTON

AN outdoor game party is a jolly one to give on a Saturday afternoon. When school opens again it is still warm and lovely and an outdoor party is a lot more fun than an indoor one. As usual the selection of a party master for the occasion makes things go more smoothly than when the young people are left entirely to their own direction. This arrangement also is one that allows the mother to devote her time entirely to the refreshments, usually homemade for these informal affairs.

The best game to start with is the ring toss game. It is the best because with two sets going, sixteen players can play at a time. This makes it jolly and is a sort of "get together" start. No matter how well the children know one another there is always a little party stiffness to be overcome, especially if there happens to be a few strangers present.

The game may be followed by one of the lawn games—garden archery, grape hoops, croquet, a paper airplane, or any one of the games that include as many players as possible. Next, it is a good idea to have a sitting game of some sort to rest and cool off before refreshments are served. This may be any one of the "circle" games or one or more of the table games.

After the refreshments have been enjoyed, the mottoes cracked and caps, aprons, wands and toys have paled, the children may be divided into groups for charades.

Care must be taken in selecting the prizes so that all first ones are of equal value and importance and the same with the booby prizes, then there will be no jealousy aroused.

Now, as to the all important point of refreshments. In the first place, they should be rather light, as they come between luncheon and dinner, and it is well to choose carefully what is best for warmth and excitement.

Take your little boy and go somewhere and earn your own living.

ODD and INTERESTING FACTS

Chunks of dried milk were recently used as fuel to drive a railway locomotive ten miles.

Three hundred miles an hour is the speed aimed at by builders of aeroplanes; the present record is about 226 miles an hour.

Although only 4,400 stars can be seen with the naked eye, a catalogue of 4,000,000 is being prepared.

HIS WORK

By Marguerite Lewis



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JUBILANT little Cupid! How he has watched Her Loveliness through her care-free childhood, her shy, demure young-ladyhood and now triumphant, sees the result of his loving care in the wondrous womanliness of the Bride! As she gazes with wistful, adoring eyes on Love's own golden symbol which encircles her little

finger, Cupid gleefully tangles his dimpled fingers in the ethereal meshes of the wedding veil and draws about her the magic heart that insures lasting love and happiness, laughing joyfully the while for very happiness. This is her dream-fulfillment to which he can proudly point as a shining example of HIS WORK!

WINIFRED BLACK WRITES IN ANSWER TO An "Unfortunate"

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HER mother wasn't good to her at home, she said—always finding fault and nagging. Nothing she ever did was right, her clothes were wrong and the way she did her hair was wrong and all her friends were wrong; even the songs she liked were wrong.

One day she picked up and ran away with a boy she knew, and they went to a distant city, and there wasn't time to bother with marriage, so they weren't married.

What difference did that make, the boy said; he loved her and she loved him, and what else mattered? And they lived from hand to mouth, drifting from city to city.

Poor in Chicago—a little better off in Cleveland, not so well off in Toledo, down and out in Cincinnati, up again when they were back in Chicago, lodging house rooms here, cheap housekeeping rooms there—never a dollar ahead and never any kind of a home.

And at last in Toledo the boy found steady work and steady pay. What a celebration—what fun the girl had, furnishing up a wee bit of a house on the outskirts of the town! Rather unbeautiful surroundings—nobody very stylish in the neighborhood—but, dear me, it was a home, and the little girl had been homesick for a home ever since she went away!

She fitted up the kitchen and she made curtains for the tiny living room, and the baby's crib had a special little counterpart of the prettiest pink cambric you ever saw, and pink pillows, too—oh, yes, there was a baby by this time, a fat little fellow with dimples and what do you think?

And she was awfully nice—she wasn't like the same mother at all. She made old-fashioned gingerbread and old-fashioned biscuits, and she cut out the cutest little clothes for the baby you ever saw.

Yes, You Must Pay Now.

She just fell in love with that baby. She carried him around all the time, and made such a fuss over him the girl was afraid he'd be out into the street, where you belong!"

The girl held up the baby and tried to make her mother look at him—but no use—and she and the man had to give up their home and run away and hide, for the brothers really did come to look for them.

And now the man is tired, and he says the girl is no good and never was, or she wouldn't have listened to him in the first place, and she's alone with the baby, and she doesn't know what to do or which way to turn, and she's written to ask me about it.

What would you tell her if you were in my place? Poor, little, foolish, light headed, soft hearted, trusting creature. How could she about her to protect her and her child from the cruelty of the world with a cheap little wedding ring?

Well, well, it's done now, and there's no use wishing or crying.

No, don't write to your mother again, little girl. Don't write to your brothers, either. And don't search for your man to beg him to stay with you.

Take your little boy and go somewhere and earn your own living.



Winifred Black

You Can Win Happiness Again.

In five or ten years the misery and humiliation of this time will be forgotten and you can train your boy so that he will never betray and desert a foolish, trusting little girl.

Your mother—what is she to you and what are you to her?

She has stepped out of your life at the very hour when you've needed her most. Let her go away, poor, cruel, hard-hearted, foolish woman. You go yours in common sense, in courage and in simple honesty. There's happiness and peace of mind in store for you yet!

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Diary of a Fashion Model

By GRACE THORNLIFFE

She Chats About a Frock For Fall Afternoon Occasions.

GABY and I have resumed our custom of going out to tea at some smart place after we leave the shop.

"Clothes weren't so interesting during the warm weather," Gaby remarked today as we left the shop. "But now that Fall is here, the clothes one sees are full of fashion interest."

"Indeed they are," I agreed.

"It does me a lot of good to see well-dressed people all about me," Gaby confided.

"Then let's go to some place where we are sure to see very swanky clothes," I suggested.

We decided on a hotel that is noted for its smart tea-hour gatherings.

Gaby and I were quite well-dressed ourselves, as we had made new frocks, designed after some of Madame's latest models.

We entered the hotel and were shown to a tiny table near the orchestra.

"Good place, for we can see the whole room from here," I commented.

We ordered tea and toast and proceeded to look about us at the assembled throng.

Gaby soon called my attention to a lovely-looking young girl who was just entering the room. Gaby glanced at her with a casual air and said to me:

"That's exactly the kind of afternoon dress I like."

I noted the soft youthful frock of burnt russet chiffon trimmed with lace to match.

"It's perfectly lovely," I agreed.

"Let's see, there must be a slip of crepe to match, edged with the same lace," Gaby remarked in her practical way.

"I like the way the whole dress is simply draped up to the front," I said.

"Yes," Gaby agreed. "I must see how that is managed."

The lace-edged frill that edges the frock is widened so it can ex-

YOUR HEALTH

What to Do to Banish a Cough That Seems Chronic

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M. D.

United States Senator from New York.

Former Commissioner of Health, New York City.

ALITTLE shiver of worry runs up your backbone every time you come in contact with someone who has a persistent cough. You have been kept awake by a member of the family who has coughed all night. You have suffered yourself when a cold has hung on, and, in spite of your every effort, you have "coughed your head off."

It is a common thing to inquire about the lungs and whether or not the chronic cough is due to tuberculosis, bronchitis, or some other dreaded ailment.

It seems to me, I never heard of so many cases of whooping cough among adults as I have observed during the past two years. Several of my personal friends have been afflicted.

This disease has a bad habit of recurring. That is, the cough which seemed to be entirely cured last year may come on again this year. There may be no "whooping," but the same sort of hacking, spasmodic, persistent cough, worse at night, may come to annoy the victim and his friends.

Following whooping cough, there may be asthmatic attacks. These spells of asthma, like the cough I have described, may appear year after year.

There are many causes of chronic coughing, such as the tonsils, the uvula, the "postnasal drip" which supplies the stomach and diaphragm. One of its branches goes to the ear. Any irritation in the ear canal, for instance, pressure of hardened wax or efforts to remove it, may result in spasms of coughing.

Indigestion may cause a cough. It is not at all uncommon to have a nasty little cough accompany dyspepsia.

Of course, cataract, either chronic or the kind which persists after a cold, may produce so much irritation as to result in frequent spasms of coughing.

You see there are many causes for this disagreeable symptom. If space permitted I should discuss the treatment, but to-day I can merely add that rundown health is the chief thing to consider.

In the treatment, first consideration must be given to the natural methods—rest, sleep, good food, fresh air, and particularly sunlight.

A change of the manner of living for a little while is a great help. On this account a vacation is most desirable, no matter what time of the year you take it.

Answers to Health Questions

A CONSTANT READER. Q.—What is the cause of a bad breath? How can this condition be remedied?

A.—Bad breath is usually due to constipation, indigestion, nasal catarrh, decayed teeth, or diseased

DEAR ANNIE LAURIE: 1.—When a young man calls to take me to a dance and after he has come in and visited with the family for awhile, would it be proper for me to speak up and say "Don't you think we have had better go as it is getting something late?" or should I wait until he makes a motion to go?

2.—Also would it be proper for me to send a dance bill to a friend in a distant town with a note inviting him to attend? JINKS.

JINKS: 1.—Yes. Quite proper for you to make the suggestion.

2.—Yes, as it shows your thought of your friend.

DEAR ANNIE LAURIE: 1.—Recently a friend called me up and asked me to go out with him that evening. As I had an engagement, I told him I could not go. Have I offended him? He has not called me over since. What should I do, as I value his friendship greatly.

2.—Also would it be proper for me to send a dance bill to a friend in a distant town with a note inviting him to attend? JINKS.

JINKS: 1.—Yes. Quite proper for you to make the suggestion.

2.—Yes, as it shows your thought of your friend.

BUTTERCUP: 1.—The young man in question probably was unable to attend the party for some unavoidable reason. By all means give him another chance.

2.—If you have been properly introduced to the young man and have something to say to him, it is perfectly proper to tell him.

DEAR ANNIE LAURIE: 1.—I am a girl, sixteen years of age, and quite fond of a boy two or three years my senior. I have had several dates with him since he came home from school, but he never calls me up any more.

Should I treat him as if I didn't care, or should I let him know I care. How can I win him? DAISY.

D A I S Y : Don't "act" at all—just be your natural, unaffected self. Always be friendly. Good luck to you.

Annie Laurie will welcome letters of inquiry on subjects of feminine interest from young women readers of this paper and will reply to them in these columns. Letters to Miss Laurie in these columns should be addressed to her in care of this office.



WHY GO TO CHURCH?

"In our last Sunday School lesson, September 14, it is said: 'As His custom was He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day.' Christians follow Christ's example when Christians attend church. All people who attend church regularly are apt to become Christians." —By Mrs. E. C. Payne, a leader in the Westminster church, and active in support of the Benevolent Hospital.

Pastor E. Floyd Olive will be at home again Sunday—Come and hear his messages

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Our services and the sermons of our pastor, Rev. W. B. Strong, should fit you for leadership.

"Come and go with us and we will do thee good." Sincerely, Congregation

The Westside Presbyterian Church



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SYNOPSIS

Sir Oliver Tressilian, renowned for his exploits on the Spanish Main, is betrothed to Rosamund Godolphin; but because of personal enmity growing out of land disputes the marriage is opposed by both Rosamund's brother, Peter, and her guardian, Sir John Killigrew. After his defeat by Sir Oliver in a duel Sir John's antagonism is somewhat lessened, whereas Peter becomes increasingly more venomous. Sir Oliver, riding to Helston one day, stops at a smithy to have his horse reshoed. He is conversing with Sir Andrew Flack, the parson, and Justice Baine, a group of rustics gathered about, when down the slope rides Peter Godolphin.

upon whom you can shift the quarrel. Come you to me and get the punishment of which that whip-lash is but an earnest."

Then with a thick laugh he drove spurs into his horse's flanks, so furiously that he all but sent the parson and another sprawling.

"Stay but a little while for me," roared Sir Oliver after him. "You'll ride no more, my drunken fool!"

And in a rage he bellowed for his horse, flinging off the parson and Master Baine who endeavored to detain and calm him. He vaulted to the saddle when the nag was brought him, and whirled away in furious pursuit.

The parson looked at the justice and the justice shrugged, his lips tight-pressed.

"The young fool is drunk," said Sir Andrew, shaking his white head. "He's in no case to meet his Maker."

"Yet he seems very eager," quoth Master Justice Baine. "I doubt I shall hear more of the matter."

CHAPTER III—Continued

It was said afterward by Sir Andrew and Master Baine that Master Peter appeared to have been carousing, so flushed was his face, so unnatural the brightness of his eye, so thick his speech and so extravagant and foolish what he said. He was of those who turn quarrelsome in wine—which is but another way of saying that when the wine was in and the restraint out, his natural humor came uppermost untrammeled. The sight of Sir Oliver standing there gave the lad precisely what he needed to indulge that evil humor of his, and he may have been quickened in his purpose by the presence of these other gentlemen. In his half-fuddled state of mind he may have recalled that once he had struck Sir Oliver and Sir Oliver had laughed and said that both would believe it.

He drew rein suddenly as he came abreast of the group, so suddenly that he pulled his horse until it almost sat down like a cat; yet he retained his saddle. Then he came through the snow that was all squelched and mudied just about the forge, and leered at Sir Oliver.

"I am from Arwenack," he announced unnecessarily. "We have been talking of you."

"You could have had no better subject of discourse," said Sir

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